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IN RE APPLICATION OF : Michael H. Meyer et al.
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WITH IMPROVED CLAMP-RING
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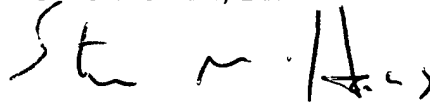
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Copies of the documents cited on the attached form PTO-1449 are enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that the attached document(s) be considered and officially cited in examination of this application.

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